

TWO MILLION DOLLAR FIRE ALMOST SWEEPS HOT SPRINGS, ARKANSAS, OFF THE FACE OF THE EARTH

THREE HUNDRED BUILDINGS BURNED; REPORT 25 DEAD

FIVE HUNDRED RENDER- ED HOMELESS TODAY

WATER SUPPLY GIVES OUT AND FIRE DE- PARTMENT IS POWERLESS--STRANGER BURNED BEFORE CROWDS

(Scripps-McRae Dispatch.)

HOT SPRINGS, Feb. 25.—The estimated loss of life is twenty-five; business houses destroyed, one hundred; homes, two hundred; people homeless, five hundred.

ONLY THREE REPORTED. HOT SPRINGS, Feb. 25.—Only three deaths are now reported. One man whose name is unknown, was burned to death in the full view of hundreds of people.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Feb. 25.—Fire which started at 2:30 o'clock this morning threatens to destroy the greater part of the city. At 7 o'clock, six city blocks had been swept by the flames. At 8 a district a mile and a half long and several blocks wide was laid low by the flames, which are still raging unchecked. The loss so far is now estimated at over two millions of dollars.

A number of lives are reported lost. The flames are fanned by a high wind.

The fire department is handicapped by lack of water and is powerless.

BUILDINGS DESTROYED.

Among the buildings destroyed are: The Plateau Hotel. The Southern Hotel. The City Hall. Public school. The Methodist church. The Grand Central Hotel. Lee House.

Moody House. Court house. County jail. Columbia Hotel. House of Israel.

The burned district extends for a mile and a half along Quapaw avenue. Over a thousand business houses and homes were destroyed. Thousands are homeless.

So many small hotels are destroyed that the authorities fear there has been considerable loss of life.

The fire started in the Grand Central block. The department was unable to cope with the flames owing to the strong wind. The First Methodist church then caught fire and spread to the residence district on the west.

Many business houses on Central avenue were dynamited in order to save the north end of the city.

Many residents are taking refuge on the west mountain to escape the raging heat.

Fifty prisoners were removed from the Bastille in the court house to the new jail. The court house was soon destroyed.

Government troops and police are cordoned about the devastated district. At 9:30 this morning fire was still raging in the residence district.

THREE FOUND DEAD.

The fire is now under control. The bodies of two men and a woman, turned beyond recognition, were taken from the ruins. The firemen are searching for more bodies. All the leading hotels have thrown open their doors to the sufferers.

ROJESTVENSKY NOT JUSTIFIED IN FIRING

DECISION IN DOG- GER BANK AFFAIR

(Scripps-McRae Dispatch.) PARIS, Feb. 25.—The decision of the North Sea inquiry commission was made public this morning and is adverse to the Russians. The decision states that Rojestvensky was not justified in firing on the Doggerbank fishing fleet.

CHIEF OF POLICE AT BAKU IS MURDERED

ASSASSINATED BY STRIKERS

(Scripps-McRae Dispatch.) ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 25.—Three strikers at daylight this morning assassinated Kondratovich, chief of police at Baku. The assassins escaped.

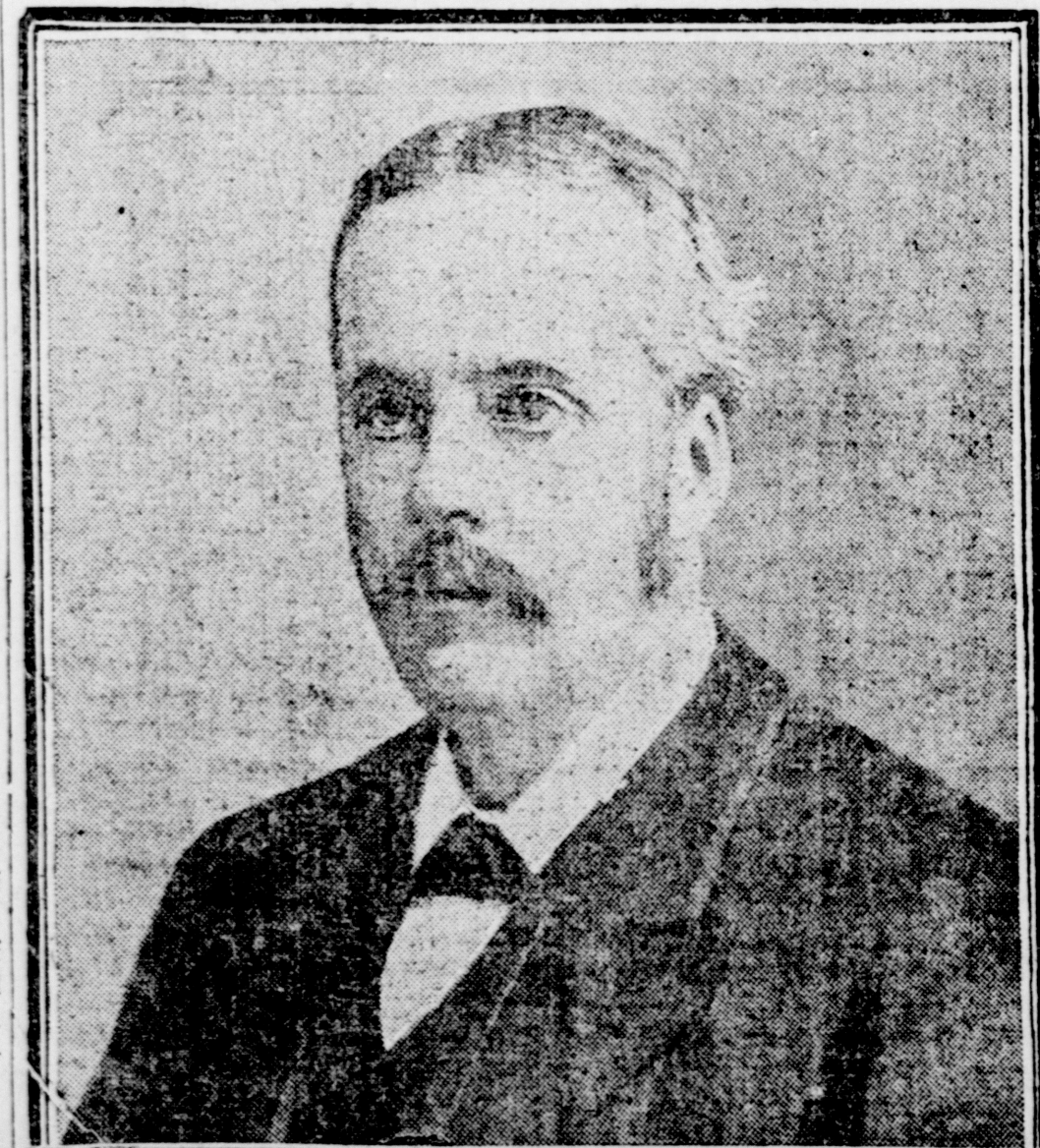
The report that the chief of police at Batoum was assassinated is unfounded.

Martial Law Declared.

LONDON, Feb. 25.—The St. Petersburg correspondent for the Exchange Telegraph reports that martial law has been declared at Baku.

Disorders Continue. WARSAW, Feb. 25.—The disorders continue at different points. At Marki this morning the strikers wrecked the railway station.

A. J. BALFOUR WHO HAS BEEN UPHELD BY A REDUCED MAJORITY



A. J. BALFOUR
PHOTO BY EDWIN LEE

ANARCHISTS PLOT AGAINST CHURCH



(New York Herald Special.)

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—Commissioner McAdoo intimated very plainly that he considered the alleged plot to blow up the Russian church of St. Nicholas, in East Ninety-seventh street, as a hoax. Neither the police of the East 14th street station nor Central Office detectives were prominent in investigating the source of the anonymous letter accompanying the harmless piece of iron pipe sent the pastor of the church, the Rev. Alexander A. Hotowitsky.

The bomb case which frightened the priest was a piece of one and a half inch gas pipe, eight inches long, with caps at either end screwed on. It contained no explosive. The letter accompanying it purported to have been written by a "faith woman" who overheard Russian anarchists and Japanese spies plotting the destruction of the church because it was erected through the interest of the aristocracy of the czar's domain. She said that she had procured a pass key, entered the plotters' den and abstracted a sample bomb, as well as a charred portion of a letter written upon paper with the letterhead of the Japanese consulate.

FIRE NEARLY ENDS LIVES OF WM. CRAIGEN'S FAMILY

Major Stevenson, an Early Riser, Sees Flames and Awakens Sleeping Children

This morning between 6 and 7 o'clock Major Stevenson of the north side discovered fire in the home of William Craigen, 1508 Berlin street, and saved the lives of the Craigen children by rushing to their home and awakening them. The major discovered smoke issuing from the roof of the building and his prompt action perhaps averted a tragedy.

The fire department was notified by the major and promptly responded, but the flames destroyed the entire interior of the house. Mr. Craigen carried no insurance and the blow is a hard one for the family.

MERCHANTS' EGGS IN THE BASKET

LA CROSSE BUSINESS- MAN TALKS POINT- EDLY

La Crosse, Wis., Feb. 25, 1905.

Mr. Editor: The writer having noticed your editorial in last Monday's paper relative to conditions existing between the merchants and your company, wishes to express his opinion which I believe is concurrent with the idea and wishes of the public. Being an observer of the conditions existing here between the newspapers and merchants I note that the merchants neglect to contribute the bulk of their advertising to The People's Paper, viz., The Tribune. This paper should receive the consideration of every merchant in the city. This is really due the company as it has done more

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WANT A CARNEGIE LIBRARY

North Siders Will Petition the Iron Master

THIS THE ONLY WAY

Prof. Hayden Takes up Subject at Annual Presbyterian Supper

North La Crosse wants a Carnegie library. The citizens believe this is the only way to obtain library facilities and think that the time is ripe when an attempt would be made to get an institution of this sort from Carnegie.

Petitions setting forth the need of North La Crosse in the line of library equipment, books and a general statement of the condition with a prayer for a library will be circulated about North La Crosse and when a thorough canvass of this section of the city has been made, the lists will be sent to Andrew Carnegie.

The subject was touched upon last evening at the banquet of the North Presbyterian church. Prof. H. G. Hayden of the Tenth district school spoke on the subject of libraries and gave a slight discussion of the probability of asking Carnegie for an institution so long wanted and badly needed by North La Crosse.

More than passing notice has been given the subject since stirred up by Prof. Hayden and a number of prominent professional and business men of North La Crosse are ready to commence an active campaign along the lines suggested by the speaker.

The banquet of the church was one of the most largely attended affairs given on the North Side or in the entire city. Among the speakers were City Attorney Paul W. Mahoney, Postmaster Tscharnier and George H. Timmings.

FIND MURDER- ED CHILD

Residents of the village of Ontario near here are greatly excited over the finding of the dead body of an infant cleverly hidden in a satchel and placed in the Haskell granary. From all appearances the child had been murdered and the slayer or slayers have taken this mode of escaping detection and punishment.

Dr. Vernon of Hillsboro made an examination of the body and pronounced the child to be about six or seven months of age. In the opinion of the doctor the child was murdered and concealed in the elevator.

Coroner Dunlap of Viroqua called a jury together and the evidence in the case was heard. The jury reached no decision and another will be empaneled.

Travelers to attend Church in a Body

Tomorrow, upon invitation of the Rev. J. S. Lowe, the United Commercial Travelers will attend the morning services at St. Paul's Universalist church in a body. The travelers will meet at their hall at 10 o'clock and will march to the church.

The Tribune stands for Greater La Crosse—no other newspaper in La Crosse does.

SENATOR QUARLES A JUDGE

Nominated for U. S. District Bench by Roosevelt

NOT YET RETIRED

Defeated Stalwart Senator Gets Fat Post From Federal Government

(Scripps-McRae Dispatch.) WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The president has sent to the senate the following nominations: For United States circuit judge of the seventh circuit, William H. Seaman, Wisconsin. United States district judge, Jos. V. Quarles, Wisconsin.

JUDGE JENKINS RESIGNS CIRCUIT JUDGESHIP TO MAKE ROOM FOR QUARLES

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 25.—United States Circuit Judge Jenkins resigned today. District Judge Seaman succeeds Jenkins and Quarles takes Seaman's place.

REPUBLICANS DRIFT BACK TO TOLAND

His Accounting Idea Was Early Adopted

It is said on the streets today that the Committee of Twelve has returned to its old love, Prof. F. J. Toland. What the outcome will be is problematical. Mr. Toland has just returned from an extended business trip and could not be seen this afternoon.

The selection of Toland, who has all along been regarded by a strong faction of his party as the only logical republican candidate, would change the plan of the republicans to give the office to a stalwart, as Mr. Toland is now aligned with the administration faction, having given it the support of both influence and pocket-book during the recent state campaign.

The drift of sentiment in his favor has been accentuated by the understanding which has begun to soak in that he was accorded very shabby and undeserved treatment by his party two years ago. That his nomination has been seriously thought of from the start is evidenced by the assertion made by the republican managers early in the day that they would make their principal issue a demand for a revision of the accounting system of the city. This was Mr. Toland's personal suggestion two years ago, and it is offered without amendment at this time.

There have been no other developments in the committee proceedings. The republicans must file their nomination papers by next Saturday and it is understood a selection will be made Tuesday night.

Mr. Conway did not appear in the St. Mary's church entertainment last night owing to the serious illness of his mother.

Dunn Dem. Nominee in Chicago

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—Judge Edward F. Dunne this afternoon was nominated mayor on the democratic ticket.

RETURNS FROM FUN- ERAL OF SISTER

Major Stevenson of the north side has returned from Milwaukee where he attended the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Louisa A. Gall. The will of Mrs. Gall leaves \$1,000 to Willie H. Stevenson, the major's little 13-year-old son. Mrs. Gall was the wife of the senior member of the noted firm of Gall & Frank.

Equalization Board is Appointed

Judge Fruit this afternoon announced the board of equalization which is to review and reassess the taxes of La Crosse county.

William R. McCaull, attorney of Tomah; D. F. Bowler, real estate and insurance agent of Sparta and J. I. Dewey, a farmer living in the vicinity of Arcadia.

Carl Kopplin and Miss Ella Dobratz of Chaseburg were married Thursday afternoon at that place by Rev. E. H. Palechek.

BADGERS LEAVE FOR BIG DUAL MEET IN CHICAGO TONIGHT

BY ROBT. E. KNOFF
(Tribune Special Dispatch.)

MADISON, Wis., Feb. 25.—Four-

teen track athletes left Madison this morning for Chicago, to meet the Maroons in a dual indoor meet tonight. The Badgers are expectant of winning, but there does not seem to be the most substantial grounds for this hope. Close races are assured between Lightbody and Captain Breitkreutz and between Hogenson and Waller. Coach Temple has had charge of the men for only two weeks of interrupted training and he is not particularly pleased with the team, although excellent spirit has been shown and all the candidates have worked hard and conscientiously.

Graduate Manager Downer has started out with the determination that the annual loss of money on the track team shall be as small as possible. He is taking only fourteen men to Chicago, when at least twenty were counting on taking the trip. He answers his critics on this point by saying that while the Wisconsin athletic association is practically \$4,000 in debt it is out of the question to take more men on the trip than whose expenses will be covered by the guarantee of the Chicago.

The entries for the several events, including the contestants representing both Chicago and Wisconsin are as follows:

50 yard dash—Wisconsin, Waller, Grobe, Schophoester; Chicago, Hogenson, Barker, Templeton and Groman.

50 yard hurdles—Wisconsin, Quarles, Chapman; Chicago, Catlin, Friend, Brown, McGee and Abbott.

440 yard run—Wisconsin, Waller, Woodward, Hasbrouck; Chicago, Groman, Barker, Hogenson, Taylor and Lightbody.

880 yard run—Wisconsin, Breitkreutz, Mowry, Meyers; Chicago, Lightbody, Lyon and W. Mathews.

1 mile run—Wisconsin, Kiesel, Hill and Wodsworth; Chicago, Lightbody, Lyon and W. Mathews.

Two mile run—Wisconsin, Hean, Smith; Chicago, Lightbody, Lyon, E. Mathews, W. Mathews and Hewitt.

High jump—Wisconsin, Dulaney, F. Hueffner; Chicago, Brown, Ferris, Kutley and Wilkens.

Pole vault—Wisconsin, Williams, W. Hueffner; Chicago, Wilkens, Clark, Morris and Schobinger.

Shot put—Wisconsin, L. Miller, C. Miller, Findlay and Shepherd; Chicago, Gail and Russell.

1 mile relay—Wisconsin, Stevens, Rideout, Sylvester, Hasbrouck, Woodward, Waller and Schophoester; Chicago, Taylor, Lyon, Hogenson, Groman, Lightbody, Barker, McGee, Friend and Templeton.

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the kitchen Wednesday and in some manner obtained possession of a glass of the strong liquid, which had been put away for cleaning purposes, it was believed quite out of reach of the active little hands. Before anyone was aware of the fact the little one drank the entire contents of the glass and although medical aid was secured immediately the injury could not be prevented or repaired. The child suffered until last evening when death put an end to his sufferings.

MILWAUKEE ARCHITECTS AT A "DOG IN THE MANGER" CAPITOL POLICY

BY ROBT. E. KNOFF
(Tribune Special Dispatch.)

MADISON, Wis., Feb. 25.—Charging that Architect Cass Gilbert of St. Paul utterly ignored the directions in the preparation of preliminary plans for the proposed new Wisconsin capitol, and that he should not have been awarded the prize of \$2,000, two firms of Milwaukee architects opposed making a contract with Gilbert to superintend the construction of the Wisconsin state house. The matter was aired in a large public hearing that filled the senate chamber. The Milwaukee architects and their attorneys charged that Gilbert had constructed a great palace of art for Minnesota, without observing the first principles of utility. They charged that the Wisconsin capitol as planned by Gilbert would be bigger than

the national capitol at Washington and cost fifteen millions. Justices Marshall and Winslow of the supreme court, and Governor La Follette, members of the building commission, defended Gilbert, reading many letters, from Governor Johnson, the secretary of state, state auditor and other Minnesota officials, all expressing highest praise of Gilbert and his work, as represented in the new Minnesota capitol. Senator Smith today caused the committee on federal relations to introduce a bill to appropriate \$600,000 to repair and remodel the old, fire-eaten capitol rather than build a new one. The fight of the Milwaukee architects has taken on something of the "dog in the manger" character.

GIRL ACCUSES THREE MEN OF ASSAULTING HER; ALL TO BE ARRESTED

GRAND RAPIDS, Wis., Feb. 25.—Joseph Pinning of Pittsville has told to District Attorney Brazeau a story of an assault committed on his daughter, on the strength of which warrants have been issued for three men well known in this county. According to Pinning his daughter, Lily, attended evening service at one of the churches and on her way home was met by a young man living in Pittsville, who urged her to accompany him. They met two other young men. All went to a saloon. The girl is naturally very weak-minded, almost bordering upon lunacy, and went with them. There they filled her with liquor until she was intoxicated.

She now lies at her home in a very precarious condition as a result of repeated assaults of the three men. One of these men is married.

Mr. Pinning has made complaint,

and warrants have been issued out of Justice Cooper's court for the arrest of the men. The men have disappeared, Sheriff Little being unable to find them.

Pittsville some time ago voted not to license saloons and became a prohibition town, yet now there are several saloons in the place.

The people of Pittsville are in a state of the highest excitement over the crime, and it would only take a strong leader to induce them to lynch the three men if captured.

Warner is Promoted

A. C. Warner, for some time agent of the Adams Express company in this city, has been promoted to a place in the Chicago office. He has already gone to the Windy City. He may be succeeded here by Fred Corey, a messenger on the road for the company.

The Tribune is the only honest English paper in La Crosse—it's the only one that can be, for the others are owned and managed by "the bunch."

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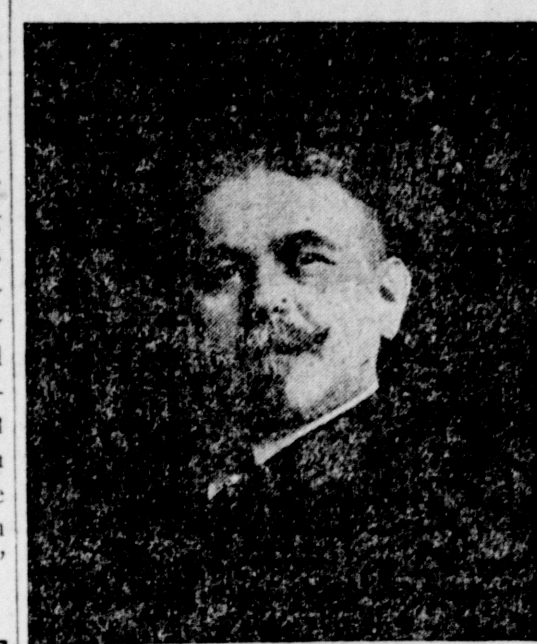
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Attorney Ollis' Son Dies After Drinking Lye

BY ROBT. E. KNOFF
(Special Tribune Dispatch.)

MADISON, Wis., Feb. 25.—Harold, the three-year-old son of Attorney and Mrs. John Ollis, 412 East Mifflin street, died after suffering intense agony for more than 24 hours, the result of drinking a glass of diluted lye. The baby was playing in

BRUTE PRIZE FIGHTER OF BUTTE A BADGER

NEENAH, Wis., Feb. 25.—August Malchow, alias the "Wisconsin Kid," the former Neenah boxer, who made an ineffectual attempt to commit suicide at Red Lodge, Mont., after a previous attempt to shoot his wife because she would not live with him, is well known here, his people being residents of this city. Mrs. Malchow has written a letter to her relatives here, telling of the affair. According to her story she left Malchow and went to live with a sister because her husband became drunk. On the night of Feb. 3 at the point of a revolver he demanded that she go home with him. A struggle ensued and was in progress when her brother-in-law happened on the scene and Malchow fled. A week later he again appeared, but before he could renew his demands, Mrs. Malchow then drove him away with a revolver. Malchow then purchased a quantity of Paris green and was discovered later lying unconscious on the floor. A doctor effected his recovery. His wife has instituted proceedings for a divorce.

KING'S DAUGHTERS LOSE SUIT



KING LEOPOLD OF BELGIUM.

(New York Herald Special.)
BRUSSELS, Feb. 24.—Judgment has just been given by the court of appeals in the suit brought against the trustees of the late Queen Marie Henriette's estate by the Countess Elemer Lonyay (Princess Stephanie) and the legal representatives of the Princess Louise of Sax-Coburg-Gotha.

The lawyers of King Leopold's daughters contested from the point of view of the Belgian law the validity of the diplomatic treaty concluded in 1853 between the Emperor of Austria and King Leopold.

This treaty decided that the marriage contract of King Leopold II. and Queen Marie Henriette should recognize the separate estates of the consorts.

The judgment of the court of appeals indorses the judgments of the



THE COUNTESS LONYAY (PRINCESS STEPHANIE)

lower court and the argument of the king's advocates and declares that wedding contracts of princes and princesses who belong to reigning families are validly concluded in the form of diplomatic treaties, and that the treaty of 1853 therefore remains valid.

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FRIDAY NIGHT IS AMATEUR NIGHT EVERY WEEK

Society Happenings

By
ALICE W. WHEELER

This has been a busy week, Washington's birthday and the near approach of Lent is giving impetus to social affairs. The holidays are all in now and there will be no more celebrating till July Fourth. There has been a perfect avalanche of companies of all sorts the past few weeks and for a while it looked as if the social world might be snowed under, especially when two or three invitations came on the same day, but by skillful managing nearly all were enabled to report unless detained by sickness and those who were obliged to send regrets did so with the greatest reluctance. Lent will soon put an end to all large affairs but there will be many who will entertain in a quiet way.

The wedding of Miss Ella Lindsey and Thomas Uttley was one of the largest and the most important event of the week.

TWENTIETH CENTURY ENTERTAINMENT.

The annual patriotic meeting of the Twentieth Century club celebrating the birthdays of Washington and Lin-

coln was held Wednesday evening, Feb. 21st, at the home of Mrs. Albert Platz. The husbands of the club members and a few invited friends were present. A short and interesting literary program, interspersed with several vocal and instrumental numbers, was given. The president, Mrs. A. H. Mitchell, opened the exercises with an address, telling of the object of the meeting and paying a glowing tribute to the memories of Washington and Lincoln. Mrs. C. H. Wilcox read a paper in which she gave a comprehensive account of the Lewis and Clark expedition, telling of the struggles and privations in the early days.

Mrs. D. G. Whyte's article on Woman's Clubs teeming with bright and witty sayings, was both interesting and amusing. The old subject was treated in a new and exceedingly attractive manner. An orchestra composed of the Misses Agnes Vincent, Agnes Anderson, Hazel Josten and Earl Tiffany played a number of patriotic airs. Miss Barbara Russell sang several songs and was enthusiastically encored. The house was elaborately decorated with flags and bunting

the home of the bride consisted of pink roses and smilax. Suspended between the archways were baskets of pink roses tied with broad pink ribbons. Garlands and festoons of smilax brightened with clusters of pink roses were arranged in the different rooms. A silver candelabra with pink tapers centered the table in the dining room over which was scattered roses and sprays of smilax. Mr. and Mrs. Uttley left that evening with a party of friends in a private car for Dubuque where a reception was given them the next evening at the home of the groom's brother.

Mrs. Uttley was prominent in musical circles and has sung in the various churches in the city. She will be greatly missed by her large number of friends, with whom she was exceedingly popular.

Mr. and Mrs. Uttley will make their home in Philadelphia where Mr. Uttley is in business. They were the recipients of many handsome and elegant presents. Among those in attendance at the wedding from out of the city were Mrs. Robert Sprague, Mrs. Frank Shadbolt and son Jack,

too fresh and new. The hatchet is a good one though and in a good state of preservation. The guests present were Mrs. Sprague of Paw Paw, Mich., Mrs. Bryan of New York, Mrs. G. C. Hixon, Messrs. and Mesdames J. M. Hixon, J. W. Skinner, Andrew Lees, G. M. Heath, Orlando Holway, C. H. Sherman, Alfred James, George Gordon, F. H. Hankerson, H. L. Colman, W. A. Thompson, Mrs. Abby Burton, Mrs. W. E. Sawyer, the Misses Helen Burton, Barbara Russell, Frances and Margery Sill, Mary Crosby, Miss Nellie Dodge of Sparta and R. C. Whelpley.

CLUBS.

The Coterie met Wednesday with Mrs. D. A. McDonald.

The Wednesday Afternoon Reading class was entertained this week by Mrs. Robert Hyde. In addition to the regular members there were present Miss Bessie Taylor, Miss Jessie Holway and the Misses Sophie and Irma Berger.

The Mission Study class will meet Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. William Tarbox.

The Thursday afternoon Sewing club was entertained by Mrs. Joyce Hogan.

Mrs. Wm. Wager entertained the Royal Twelve Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Meiga and Mrs. Gleason took the prizes.

The League of St. Paul's church was entertained Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Charles Doty on the north side.

ENTERTAIN TWENTY.

Friday evening Mrs. D. C. Sprague entertained about twenty of the young folks in honor of the birthday of her son, Henry Sprague. The young man was spending the evening with a friend when he received a message from home requiring his immediate return. When he arrived at the house he found it filled with his young mates. Games were played till the supper hour. The guests were Agnes Nelson, Margery Savage, Julia Waters, Anne Ray, Ethel Burnham, Mayme Barber, Henrietta and Katherine Martindale, May Collieran, Eleanor Marston, Arthur Lindsey, Charles Suiter, Bross Brownell, Giles and Willis Doud, and Reuben Trane.

SURPRISE PARTY.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Andrus, 1607 Adams street were surprised Wednesday evening by a party of friends in honor of their tenth wedding anniversary. The couple were made the recipients of a large number of presents all of tin, the usual custom.

The following composed the party of surprisers: Mr. and Mrs. J. Andrus, A. J. Novak, W. S. Schroeder, Mrs. M. Novak, J. Novak, A. Novak, J. Smith, B. S. Olmstead, R. Richter, Lillian, Victoria, Lottie and Albert Novak, Miss M. Michalski, E. Smith, Mr. M. Betin, V. Kijawski and Thomas Andrus.

WASHINGTON DINNER.

Six young girls gave a Washington birthday dinner at the home of Col. N. R. Nelson, Wednesday evening. Each one had the privilege of inviting a guest. The decorations were patriotic and unique. The place cards were cardboard hatchets with a blue print of the guest and were pretty souvenirs. The guests were Ethel Novak, Margery Savage, Agnes Nelson, Julia Waters, Anne Ray, Gertrude Tausche, Merl Savage, Giles

COLONIAL PARTY.

Mrs. Ed. Laughlin and Mrs. Ben. Stock entertained a number of their friends at a Colonial party Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Ed. Laughlin. The rooms were prettily decorated in hearts and hatchets. The dining room was decorated with tiny hearts and hatchets brought from the ceiling to the corners of the table and caught with large red bows. The center decoration was white roses and smilax. The guests' costumes were of colonial style and beautiful. A prize was given to the one who best represented "ye olden time" and Mrs. Adair received the prize. The evening was spent in playing games. The head prize was taken by Miss White and the foot by Mrs. F. C. Suitor. Music was furnished by Mrs. H. Lawson. One very enjoyable feature was a large cherry tree from which hung luscious cherries; the guests, blindfolded, enjoyed themselves trying to pick them. Refreshments were served by the Misses Maud Smith, Ethel Corron and Pearl Laughlin.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Tuesday Feb. 22nd was the birthday of Mr. George Burton, also of Mr. George Washington. Although the latter has been dead a number of years there are some who observe still the day, especially when that of their own or any member of the family happens to fall on that day. This was the case this year with Mr. Burton and was made the occasion of a pleasant gathering of friends at a supper and card party. The decorations were of a national character, the red, white and blue color scheme being used extensively. After an elaborate dinner of many courses royal eulchre was played. There were six tables. The prizes were won by Miss Helen Burton, Judge Brindley, Mrs. Orlando Holway and Robert Whelpley. The gentleman's low prize was said to be the identical hatchet with which Master George cut down his father's cherry tree, but some doubted the authenticity of it because the ribbon with which it was tied looked

LINDSEY-UTTLEY.

Tuesday evening, Feb. 21st, at the North Side Presbyterian church the marriage of Miss Ella Lindsey to Thomas Uttley, of Lancaster, Pa., took place. A large company witnessed the impressive ritual of the Episcopal service conducted by the Rev. Turner. The bridal party entered the church at eight o'clock preceded by twenty young women gown in white carrying garlands of smilax entwined with white ribbon singing the "Bridal Son from the Rose Maiden." The procession was led by Miss Russell and Miss Lavold who carried pink roses. The bride couple were attended by Miss Alida Lindsey, sister of the bride, and Ira Uttley of Lewiston, Pa., brother of the groom. During the ceremony the beautiful marriage hymn, "O, Perfect Love," by Barnby, was rendered by a quartette consisting of Mrs. Lawson, the Misses Russell, Lavold and Lees. At the close of the ceremony the chorus choir sang the wedding march from Lohengrin. The singing was an unusual and beautiful feature of the occasion. After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Lindsey. The bride's gown was of white French crepe with a yoke and berth of Bruges lace. She carried a shower bouquet of bride's roses.

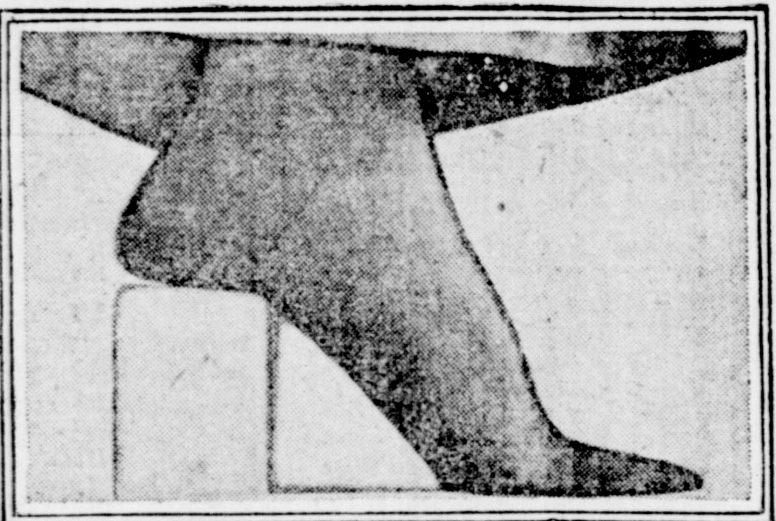
The maid of honor wore a gown of pink mousseline de soie, trimmed with a fall of Duchesse lace. The decorations both at the church and at

ter stumbling. Mrs. Good, in her anguish, calls high heeled shoes "inventions of the devil," as she mourns: "After going on crutches years I may lose my leg, and all because I persisted in wearing French heels. What does a woman not suffer for vanity's sake?" Mrs. Good is not the only recent sufferer from the same cause. Baroness Von Hengelmuller, wife of the Austrian Ambassador, recently slipped and sprained her ankle while attending a social function at Washington and Mrs. Hunter, of Chicago, was taken to a hospital last week to be treated for an operation brought on by wearing the stilted shoes. It was at first thought Mrs. Hunter's leg would have to be amputated, but, like Mrs. Good, a severe surgical operation saved her from that disaster.

which were draped upon the wall, festooned over pictures and hung between archways. In the parlor were portraits of Washington and Lincoln. Underneath that of Washington was a large bunch of calla lilies. Upon the wall was a piece of tapestry with illustrations of various scenes in the life of Washington. The national color scheme was carried out in the dining room. Streamers of red, white and blue were dropped from the chandelier and fell gracefully over the table. In the center was a large bunch of roses. Small silk flags and bunches of cherries were scattered over the cloth. Mrs. James Vincent sat at the head of the table and poured the coffee. Mrs. Callahan served the salad. They were assisted by the Misses May and Grace James, Irma Candrian, Emma Roling, Emma Marquardt, Helen McArthur, Agnes Haugen and Gretchen Salzer. Mrs. Van Auker served ice and cake in the library. Mrs. Platz made a charming hostess, moving so quietly about among the guests, giving them pleasant words of welcome and making all feel easy and comfortable.

POSITION OF FOOT WHEN HIGH HEELS ARE WORN.

(New York Herald Special.)



Women are today anxiously discussing the high heel question, having been led to regard it in a serious light by the sad experience of Mrs. Marie N. Good, the young and pretty wife of H. N. Good, of New York, a drug salesman.

Physicians in St. Luke's Hospital were obliged to subject Mrs. Good to a very painful operation to avert fatal consequences of necrosis of the bones of the ankle, the result of a wrench received four years ago in crossing a street. The fall was caused by the high heels of the Louis V. shoes she was wearing, and since that time she has undergone suffering that has been at times almost unbearable. She has had to walk with a crutch all of the time.

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Figured Fancy Silks in beautiful colors and designs, at per yard..... \$1.00
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Walking Skirts in Scotch mixtures and Mohair Brilliantine, with 4 folds at front seams, finished with straps and buttons, at..... \$4.65
Runabout Skirts in black and mixtures, with inverted pleats at seams, wide graduated straps extending toward waistline, button trimmed at..... \$5.00
Rainyday Skirts of dark suiting in stripes, 9 gore, a plain skirt, with inverted pleated back, at..... \$6.50
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Walking Skirts of covert cloth, tucked at all the seams, wide at the bottom, big values at..... \$9.00
Walking Skirts made of Panama cloth, in blue, black and brown, full tucked skirt, very nobby at..... \$10.00

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BIRTHDAY SURPRISES.

Wednesday evening the friends of Mrs. J. K. Shepherd gave her a birthday surprise. Cinch was played till the supper hour. Prizes were taken by Mrs. Walter Holmes and Mr. John Palmer. The guests were Messrs. and Mesdames John Palmer, Henry Palmer, L. Holmes, Jack Fetter, F. A. Bigelow, Walter Holmes, Mrs. Reba Smith, Mrs. Colton, Miss Regert, Messrs. Wayne Wheeler and Harry Bigelow.

COLONIAL TEA.

A colonial tea was given by the First Presbyterian ladies at their (Continued on page 8.)

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THE MATTER OF LONG TENURE.

The Tribune has not suggested that where two men are candidates for office the inferior man should be chosen in case there is a difference in the respective qualifications of the two candidates; it has most emphatically said that where there are two good party men candidates for the same office and the men are equally qualified, and one of the men has held office for two or more terms while the other has not, preference should be given to the man who has not had his "inning."

The suggestion that the democratic party of La Crosse has not within its ranks two men who can capably fill the places of any two men now or at any time in the past holders of offices, is a reflection upon the party. If true, it is a sad commentary on the organization.

We speak in this case, not to the public at large, but to democrats. In advising a return to the two-term precedent, we are urging what every democrat must feel is for the best interests of his party. If the argument made yesterday in reply is adopted, where will we be? It is said that as long as an official proves capable, there is no reason for giving any other man a chance for the office he holds. Let us see where that logic leads to.

If it is correct, there is no reason why any men now in office who are proving worthy should not be continued in office indefinitely. In other words, they should be re-elected for life.

What do you democrats say to keeping them in office for a lifetime? That is the argument that is being made. How do you like it. Make it a little office trust, as it were, and let the same democrats who are now doing the voting to elect these gentlemen and who have not held office go on voting all their lives in order that these same men may continue to hold office and draw fat salaries. How long would you vote for that sort of thing? How long would the democratic party last under that sort of a policy? What inducement would there be to young men to maintain their interest in the affairs of the party?

The men who are affected by this discussion are all competent men. They have done their duty by the public, and the public has paid them for it. They have been treated generously by the party, and in good conscience they should not ask the party to sacrifice its welfare as an organization by creating for them a little monopoly of the things the general distribution of which builds party enthusiasm and makes possible effective organization.

Men have frequently done well in office. Some men when elected to office regard it as the election of the entire family and relationship; this leads to the loss to the party of what constitutes one of its cementing features—the gift of the smaller appointive offices and clerkships to deserving partisans.

We do not believe that it is right or just to the democratic party for men who have been generously treated by the organization to ask further favors at the cost of party strength and prestige. We do not believe that the voters of the party can afford to grant so unreasonable requests. We do not think that arguments on this question from without the party are entitled to any consideration whatsoever.

We say this in all kindness to any candidates who have failed to discern the injury that is being done their party in return for its kindness to them. We wish to distinctly state that there is, in our opinion, no candidate whom this affects who would not most emphatically be entitled to another term had he served no more than one term now. The question of capability is not up for discussion, for the capability of no candidate has been questioned. It is purely a matter of party politics, and should be settled within the party. The democrats of La Crosse have made a notable record and have built up a strong organization in a republican community. Their continuance in power depends entirely upon the fostering of that strength. Their own conduct, not circumstance, must keep them where they are. A single mistake may put the city government back into the hands of those who normally would hold a majority. Let there be no support of a selfish personal office monopoly that must be the beginning of the undermining of the power and influence of the democratic party in La Crosse. Do not drive the young men out of the party.

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SIR ORACLE.

Oh, I'm Sir Oracle, you bet!
And when I speak let no dog bark.
Or I'll switch off the blooming lights
And leave you groping in the dark.

I'll tell you where to get off at;
I'll tell you where to spend your
dough;

I'll bid you walk or run or laugh,
And where and when to come and
go.

I'll tell you whom you may elect
To office, and whom not, and who
May breathe the air that lingers here
And what, also what not, to do.

I'll tell you all these things; and yet
Deep somewhere in my bones, I
feel

I'll never tell a thing about
That cursed Central Electric deal.

Nor will I tell you, vassals base,
About the lining of my sock,
Nor anything concerning how
I came to get that Common Stock.

In fact, I'll never tell you why
That Peoples' Gas just petered out;
And there are many other things
That I will never tell about.

My answer would most likely be,
Were you to press me to respond,
"I don't regard you all insane,
I simply think that you were
"conned."

DRIFT.

R. M. La Follette was renominated
by his party under extraordinary

conditions. There was a factional
fight on, and the governor had be-
gun an as yet unfinished important
work. His party did not want to
"swap horses while crossing the river."
The La Crosse third term con-
troversy is under different conditions.
There is nothing involved other than
the mere holding of profitable office
for the money there is in it. All the
candidates are competent men. It is
a question of whether a few people
shall fry all the party fat.

There's sorrow in my heart tonight;
Some plot Mephisto seems to hatch.
Woe's me! My good cigar is out,
And I can't find a gol-blamed
match!

That Common Stock don't seem to
be selling very readily; there is a rum-
or afloat that it is waltz-ered.

"Whence come those shrieks wild and
shrill,
That cut like blades of steel the air,
Causing the blood to creep and chill
With the sharp radiance of despair?
Whence come they—"

Oh, hush. That's only the Commit-
tee of Twelve offering the mayoralty
to another citizen.

NEWS FACTS IN OUTLINE

The union catechism commission of
the Methodist Episcopal church North
and South is in session at Cincinnati.
The wharfboat at Leavenworth, Ind.,
was wrecked by the ice from a gorge
which broke above there on the Ohio
river.

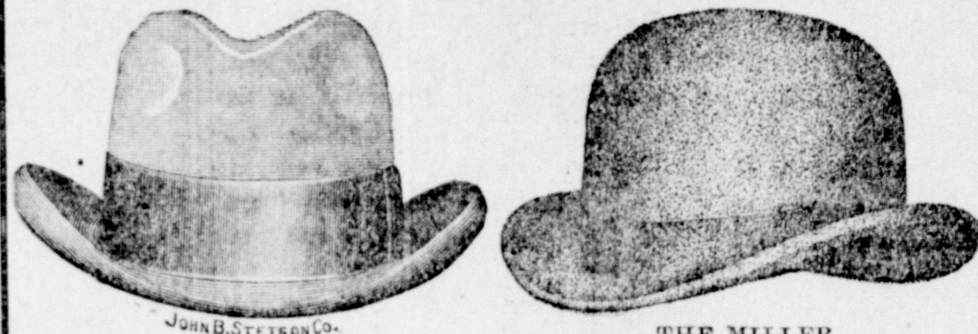
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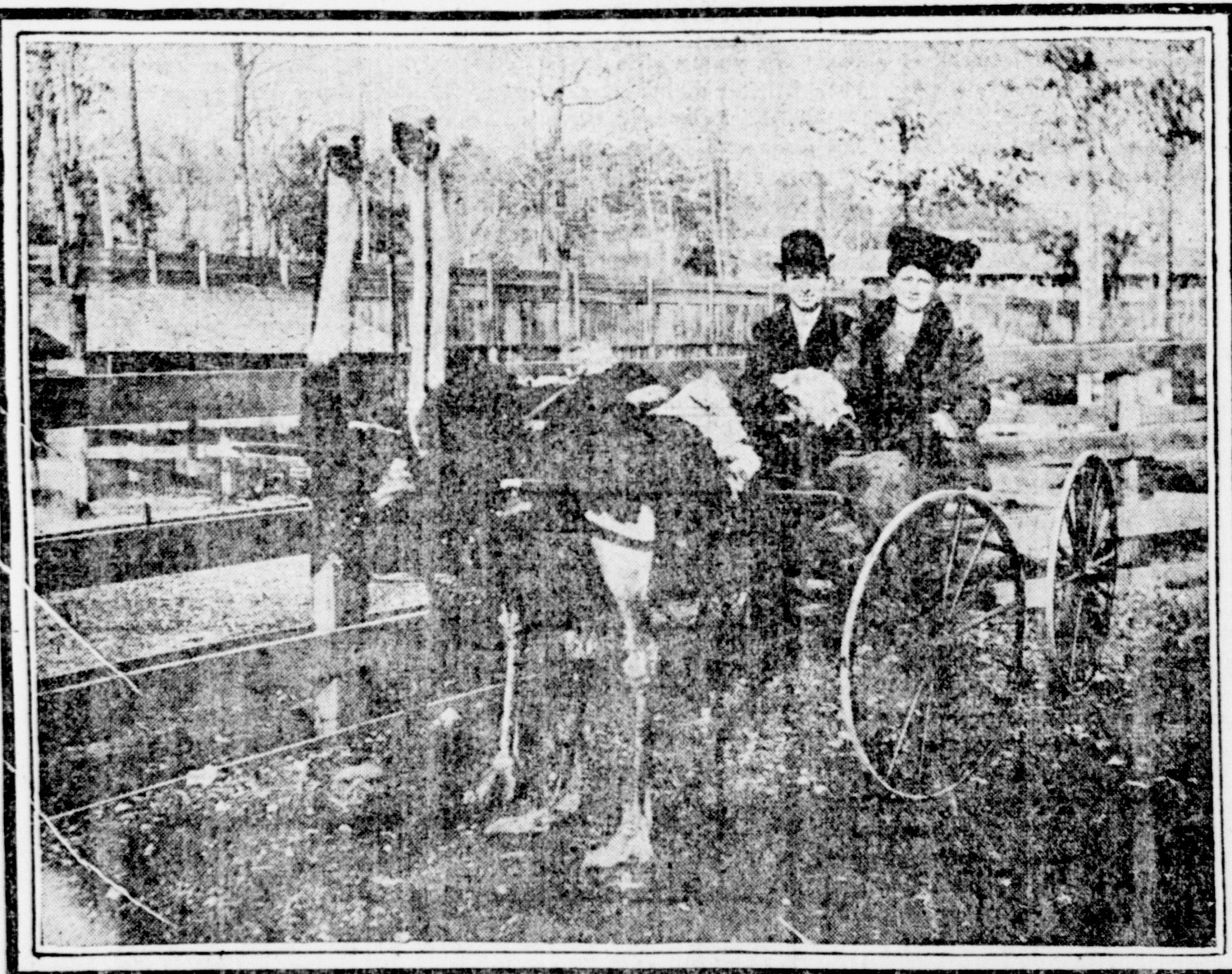


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Whites Burn a Negro Church

Jackson, Miss., Feb. 25.—The excite-
ment aroused over the attack on Miss
Mamie Marsh by a negro continues, its
effect being heightened by the burning
of a negro church. The flames are be-
lieved to have been of incendiary orig-
in. A negro with blood on his cloth-
ing and scratches on his face has been
arrested, and the police believe they
have the right man.

The negro has been put in the city
jail, which is surrounded by the local
company of militia, called out by Gov-
ernor Vardaman. It is thought the ne-
gro will be taken before Miss Marsh,
should her condition permit, for iden-
tification. The city apparently is quiet,
but there is much suppressed excite-
ment.

Mendota, Ill., Feb. 25.—A municipal
campaign in which each candidate for
mayor is booming his opponent is the
novel experience which this city is
now undergoing. There are two can-
didates for mayor, both editors. One
is Editor Ruggles, of The Sun-Bul-
letin, and the other Editor Kieselbach,
of The Reporter. The Reporter ad-
vocates the election of Ruggles, while
its rival, The Sun-Bulletin, is warm-
ly supporting Kieselbach.

Light Punishment for a Murder.
Kishinev, Bessarabia, Feb. 25.—The
trial of thirty-one Christians accused
of the murder of a Jewess named Spi-
wok in the anti-semitic riots was con-
cluded with the acquittal of nine of
the defendants, while twenty-two were
sentenced to a month's imprisonment.
The latter declared that they were ex-
empt from punishment by virtue of the
emperor's amnesty manifesto on the
occasion of the birth of the heir to the
throne.

Storage Warehouse Burns.
Cayland, Mich., Feb. 25.—Another
disastrous fire has been added to the
long list in this town during the past
year. At midnight the fire department
was called to fight the flames at the
storage warehouse of Huff & Mitchell,
which was filled with farm imple-
ments. The contents of the building
was almost entirely destroyed. The
fire was undoubtedly of incendiary
origin. Loss, about \$3,500, partly in-
sured.

Ancient Papers in a Blaze.
Philadelphia, Feb. 25.—The oldest
law office in the United States was
partly destroyed when a fire occurred
in the old Orphans' Court building on
Sixth street, below Walnut. The flames
reached the second floor, occupied by
the law offices of W. B. Rawle and
A. T. Freedley. Papers belonging to
the William Penn estate and law re-
ports dating back to the time
George I were damaged.

Griffith Will Take the Job.
Indianapolis, Feb. 25.—John L.
Griffiths has wired Senator Beveridge
and Senator-Elect Hemenway that he
will accept the consulship to Liver-
pool. This was in reply to a telegram
from the senators, stating that the
president had authorized them to ask
Griffiths if he would accept the place.

Immersion in Ice Water.
Lancaster, Pa., Feb. 25.—For the
third time during the present winter
the Baptist brethren of this com-
munity have held an immersion in ice
waters. They cut a hole in the thick
ice of the Conestoga creek and nine
converts were immersed three times.

No Pardon for Jesse Pomeroy.
Boston, Feb. 25.—The petition for
the pardon of Jesse Pomeroy, now
serving a life sentence in the state
prison for the murder of children,
has been placed on file by Governor
Douglas. This means that the pardon
will not be granted.

Inquest Reveals a Murder.
Carroll, Ia., Feb. 25.—When Addis
Lyman, a 17-year-old boy, was found
dead on the Chicago and Northwestern
railway tracks near here it was sup-
posed that he had met death in a fall
while stealing a ride on a train. The
coroner's inquest, however, revealed
that he had been shot and a bullet
was found in his brain. Complete mys-
tery surrounds the shooting as no re-
volver was found at or near the body.

Killed by a Falling Elevator.
Davenport, Ia., Feb. 25.—A falling
elevator in the Rock Island arsenal
killed Edward O'Toole and injured
Leon W. Hunt and August Abel. The
three were workmen in the gun car-
riage department.

Great Man for a Dime Museum.
Arlington, N. J., Feb. 25.—C. E.
Relyea, who has just returned from
Europe, has a physical development
which has puzzled many, who have
wondered at his ability to upbraid him-
self at will. While on the continent
he gave an exhibition before King Ed-
ward. He has a remarkable develop-
ment of the chest, being able to ex-
pand it fourteen inches. He also has
an amazing control of his muscles,
which permits him to dislocate his
shoulders without injury to himself.

How Over the Sale of the Plant.
Elgin, Ill., Feb. 25.—The city is
aroused over charges of hoodlums in
connection with the passage of the or-
dinance by which municipal lighting in
Elgin is abandoned, and the plant
leased to the Elgin, Aurora and South-
ern Traction company. The charges are
attributed to Alderman Keynon and an
investigation is planned.

Report of the condition of the Batavian National Bank of La Crosse, Wis., at the close of business Jan. 11th, 1905	
RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts.....	\$2,227,183.89
Overdrafts.....	478.27
U. S. Bonds & premium.....	366,406.23
Other Bonds.....	155,927.32
Banking house and fix- tures.....	75,000.00
5 per cent Redemption fund.....	17,500.00
Cash and due from banks.....	529,608.53
	\$3,421,760.29
LIABILITIES.	
Capital Stock.....	400,000.00
Surplus.....	100,000.00
Undivided Profits.....	5,975.89
National Bank Notes Outstanding.....	850,000.00
Dividends unpaid.....	1,992.00
Certified Checks.....	339.50
Deposits.....	2,563,763.43
	\$3,421,760.29

National Bank.

January 11th, 1905.	
RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts.....	\$2,336,093.51
Overdrafts.....	1,379.62
U. S. bonds to secure cir- culation.....	130,000.00
Other Bonds.....	172,000.00
Banking House.....	38,748.99
Other real estate.....	5,500.00
CASH RESOURCES.	
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. Deposits.....	120,000.00
With Banks.....	733,954.67
With Treas. U. S.....	6,500.00
In vaults.....	239,231.42
	1,099,686.09
LIABILITIES	
Capital.....	250,000.00
Surplus.....	150,000.00
Undivided Profits.....	40,796.92
Circulation.....	130,000.00
Deposits.....	3,210,906.29
	\$3,781,703.21
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REV. GREAR HEEDS PETITIONS TO STAY IN RACINE

All Denominations Demand his Continuance and he Consents to Give up Prospective Fields

So firmly had the people of Racine become attached to the Rev. A. C. Grier that they have petitioned him, regardless of denomination, to remain in Racine and he has consented. Rev. Grier was formerly pastor of the Universalist church here and later moved to Charles City, Iowa.

Rev. Grier, some time ago, tendered his resignation as pastor of the Universalist church of the Good Shepherd, at Racine after several years of faithful service. His letter of resignation brought tears to the eyes of his congregation, who were unwilling to part with their pastor. The Rev. Grier had planned taking up larger fields of labor in the east and was fully determined to leave Racine.

Wednesday, through the influence of private citizens and petitions signed by people of all denominations and by all the members of his own church, praying that he remain in that city, Rev. Grier consented to give up his plans and remain as pastor of the Good Shepherd church.

In the petitions it was set forth that the Rev. Grier had done more good in the city of Racine than all other pastors in the city combined.

This news will be of unusual and pleasing interest to the people of La Crosse and especially those who were personally acquainted with the popular La Crosse pastor.

RIVER WATER IS BETTER THAN THAT IN THE WELLS

Decision of Prof. Davis After Analysis of the Aqua Pura--Can be Purified by Filtration

Water taken from the Mississippi river is better for drinking purposes than the water taken from some of the wells which have been examined by Prof. Davis and pronounced unsafe and dangerous to health for use for domestic purposes. The analysis of the water of the Mississippi has been concluded by Prof. Davis and the results of the tests fully substantiate the facts as given above.

Professor Davis in analyzing the water of the river says that it contains a large number of sewage germs, but these at this time of the year or at any time when a contagion of typhoid is not raging at Winona or other nearby points up river are not dangerous.

The water taken from the wells along Front street and some as far east of Second street have contained large numbers of germs which might at any time become infested with typhoid bacteria without the knowledge of the user of the water. Sickness would follow and the cause would not be known until the patient was taken to his bed and the case thoroughly diagnosed. There is no way of telling what goes into the water taken from these wells.

While the Mississippi river contains large numbers of germs, some hundreds to the glass, they are not of a dangerous nature unless a contagious disease is raging at Winona or some nearby point up river and transferred to La Crosse. A person drinking the water of the river knows that while the water contains germs of a non-dangerous nature is fully aware if at any time typhoid germs find their way to the river along La Crosse as a warning from Winona would reach this city before the germs make their appearance here.

The water from the river, according to Prof. Davis is a fair sample of water. It contains large amounts of sewage germs but these can be taken out by filtration. The water is not fit for drinking in its unfiltered condition but no matter how germ laden it may be, is better than the water used by many taken from the wells which should be condemned as unfit for use as a result of the tests already made of it.

The samples of water from the Mississippi were taken from above the intake pipe. The first sample was taken 17 feet from the shore. The next was taken 238 feet out because of the stretch of open water intervening. From there on the samples were gathered at regular distances.

The water nearest the shore contains the largest amount of sewage germs. The remaining samples are of the same quality of water as a class having fewer germs and bugs. The cause of the presence of so many germs near the shore is the La Crosse river and sewers carry the offal of the city directly by the city on the east side from where the first sample was taken.

A large number of people today visited the filtering plant which is being constructed at the pump house. Impromptu discussions of a varied nature are heard there as the results and benefits of filtration.

The miniature filtering plant will be in working order by Wednesday Prof. Davis hopes when the filtered river water can be examined as to its adaptability for general use.

Smith Saw Wreck of Fast Mail at Rio; Overslept and Missed it

Charles Smith of this city narrowly escaped being a passenger on the ill fated fast mail train from Chicago and Milwaukee to St. Paul which was wrecked at Rio Friday in a collision with the Portage passenger. Mr. Smith originally intended taking the early train from Milwaukee to this city, but oversleeping was unable to catch it. He was compelled to take

the next later train which arrives in this city in the early evening.

While enroute to La Crosse the train on which Smith was a passenger stopped at Rio to view the wreck and also take on the baggage of the ill fated train. He says that the engines were badly smashed and two cars, a baggage and mail car, were telescoped. Otherwise no great amount of damage was done.

FRENCH ISLANDERS ISOLATED FROM LA CROSSE

ENRAGED OVER BRIDGE WORK

Farmers and residents of French Island, are practically isolated from the city of La Crosse.

The ice is unsafe and is covered with water, so that it is impossible to drive over it. The farmers are complaining that work has been abandoned for some unknown reason on the McDonald bridge over Black river, when it should have been finished before the ice went out. A farmer said today that the county contributed \$2,600 toward work and the city the remainder and the board of public works was instructed to construct the bridge at once. He declared that the

materials are not on hand and that the workmen have been laid off and that from present prospects the farmers will have to swim to the city unless the board of public works gets busy.

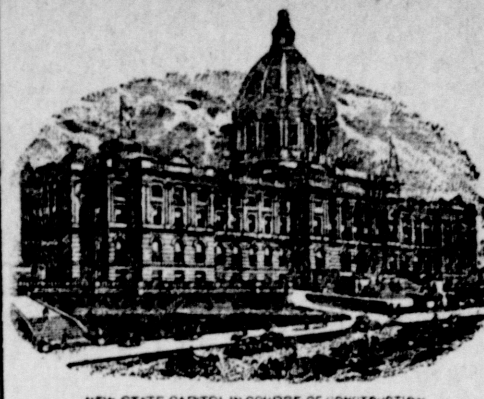
Material Enroute.
It was learned at the office of the board of public works this afternoon that the material, the absence of which has delayed the work, has been shipped and will probably be here early next week, when work will be resumed.

Read the Tribune—the paper that stands for Greater La Crosse and boosts every legitimate business in the city.

"Get the Bijou habit."

To the Cougher!

You have probably had this cough for some time, and tried various remedies, but still coughing. Now, I have a proposition. Get a bottle of Gray's Verba Santa, use half of it, and if not better, return the other half and get your money back. This remedy is so good, and so effectual and so really wonderfully curative, that we can afford to make this offer freely, knowing it will you a friend of it, and do you a favor at the same time. You can get it at Chas. Bayschlag's Drug Store, 503 Main St., in 50c or \$1.00 bottles.



St. Paul, Jan. 23, 1905

Mr. H. C. Evenson,
La Crosse, Wis.

My Dear Sir:—

The glasses fitted for me by you have been received and I wish not only to thank you for your attention, but also to state that the glasses are perfectly satisfactory in every way and are more satisfactory than any glasses I have ever worn.

Yours truly,

John H. Johnson
Governor.

This letter has many indorsers and I cordially invite you to give me an opportunity of proving to you my competency as a refractionist. If I fail to fit your eyes you are nothing out. I have the best equipped office in the west for such work and can show a greater variety of materials than will be found anywhere. Located on second floor of Park Store.
H. C. EVENSON.

CITY NEWS

Look up L. & B. ad. Go to the Bijou tonight.

Physicians are warning people to be extremely careful of their health at this season of the year, as a little precaution might save untold trouble. There is considerable grippe in the city at present.

Hugo Bach's celebrated concert quintette on Feb. 28th.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Salzer and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Langenbach left last night for Chicago. While there they will take in the opera "Parsifal."

Best music for parties, dances, home entertainments. Kreutz's La Crosse orchestra. (Formerly Langstad's.)

The streets and alleys committee of the council will meet today to hear petitions of property owners against proposed street improvements.

Sunday afternoon there will be matinees at 2:30 and 4 o'clock and the usual evening performances at the Bijou theatre.

The first of a series of entertainments was held Thursday evening at the West Avenue Methodist church. Seventeen pretty high school girls from Onalaska appeared in the chorus. Langdon & Boyd have fanned hadies.

The Wisconsin Telephone company's branch here has received 60 miles of wire for improvements and extensions which are to be made in this city and vicinity soon.

Keep Hugo Bach's concert quintette in mind. It is coming, and Herman Ruhoff is with it.

The postoffice department has decided that in the future no mail will be delivered by carriers above the second floor in buildings where no elevators are provided.

Try the little pig sausage at L. & B.

Don't fail to see Rose Dobie at the Bijou, the wonderful girl violinist.

Dr. George Powell, consulting physician and surgeon.

The management of the La Crosse Professional Baseball association has practically completed its plans for the summer's play. They declare that many excursions will be brought to the city during the summer by the association.

The Savoy, at the Bijou, are an interesting team, and have clever songs and acrobatic "stunts."

Yesterday the 12-year-old son of William Malay, 1017 Mill street, was bitten in the leg by a dog while attempting to stop a dog fight.

OLD BOWLERS, come back! Bowling is dead; billiards is the game! If you are a billiard player gone bowling crazy, one game is free to you at STROUSS' BILLIARD HALL, 124 North Third street.

W. A. Eevely left this morning for his home at Spring Valley after a visit here during the week with friends and relatives.

All kinds of smoked and salted fish at Langdon & Boyd's.

A. M. Guggon is in the city for a visit over Sunday with his sister and other relatives and friends.

Two matinees at the Bijou Sunday afternoon, 2:30 and 4 o'clock. Langdon & Boyd have the choice of salted mackerel.

J. B. White of Buffalo left for his home this morning after a short business trip to the city this week.

The amateurs made a big hit at the Bijou last night.

Henry Ottenberg of Sparta is calling on friends in the city this morning.

ing. He leaves for his home tomorrow night.

Dr. Will Powell, diseases of Women.

Hugo Stenmaller of St. Paul is the guest of his brother in the city over Sunday.

E. W. Cooke of Winona is spending the day in the city as the guest of friends and relatives.

Monna Vanna, highest quality 10c cigars, made in 8 sizes, for sale by all first class dealers.

Elnora Lylam of Genoa will remain in the city over Sunday with friends. John Reamey and wife of Peoria, Illinois, are visiting with friends in the city for a fortnight.

W. C. Milder of Mable, Minn., left for his home this morning after a business visit to the city yesterday.

Dengler "Capitol" cigars are made of such high grade tobacco that the manufacturer cannot afford to give time. They are sold on cash terms, \$35.00 per m.

Thomas Finley of Brownsville is spending the day in the city transacting business and renewing acquaintances.

A. F. Brandt, superintendent of the state school at Sparta, called on poor commissioner Sol Burdick, leaving for his home last evening.

The board of trade normal school committee, together with the delegates from the common council and

manufacturers' and jobbers' are this afternoon in session in the office of Secretary of the Board Calvert discussing plans for obtaining the normal school for La Crosse.

NOTICE

The undersigned committee on buildings and grounds of the county of La Crosse will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, all the old office furniture not now in use, and not required in new court house, at 10 o'clock a. m., March 4th, at the court house.

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MRS. CHADWICK COMES OUT AHEAD IN THE FIRST ROUND

REFUSES TO GIVE TESTIMONY AND COURT CAN'T INSIST

Says She Might be Incriminating Herself

Cleveland, Feb. 25.—When placed on the stand in the bankruptcy proceedings against her before Referee Remington, Mrs. Chadwick refused at first to be sworn. After a consultation with her attorneys she consented to take the oath. She was then asked to state her name, but refused to reply to this or any other questions that followed. Mrs. Chadwick sought refuge in her privilege as an accused person, and she refused to answer most of the questions on the ground that what she said might tend to aid the prosecution of her criminal cases. Referee Remington found in her favor, although he insisted against her counsel's wishes in making her give a quasi explanation of her refusal.

Expresses Herself Admirably.
"My financial affairs are so closely allied with the case in the federal court that anything affecting the one must necessarily affect the other," said Mrs. Chadwick, and the referee declared that this explanation of her position was as admirably expressed as it could be. "What they want is to get possession of your information," stoutly declared Attorney Dawley on behalf of Mrs. Chadwick. "They want to have a look at our hand. They are trying to ascertain our defense. Now if the government will tip off its hand we might arrange the deal."

She Refuses to Give Her Name.
So insistent had been Dawley's objections and so hot had been the fight over the introduction of the bankrupt's testimony that an hour was consumed in getting the examination started, and then it struck a snag, the first of many. At the very outset Mrs. Chadwick refused to give her name. Another long wrangle resulted over this seemingly unimportant question. It was in vain that Grossman declared he had no designs of trapping the witness into an incriminating reply. Mrs. Chadwick simply refused to say that she was Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick, and smilingly persisted in that course.

Referee Remington vainly appealed to her, explained to her, enjoined her,

and almost threatened her. He went at length into just what her privilege was, and just what amounted to contempt of court. Mrs. Chadwick was an interested listener to all he had to say, but his conversation moved her not a jot. Finally Remington grew a little exasperated at her cheerful indifference. "Is this by your advice?" he sternly inquired of Dawley.

"I refuse to answer," was Dawley's reply. "Counsel can take care of himself," he added significantly. "I am not under obligations to disclose to any one, not even a court, the nature of my professional advice to my client."

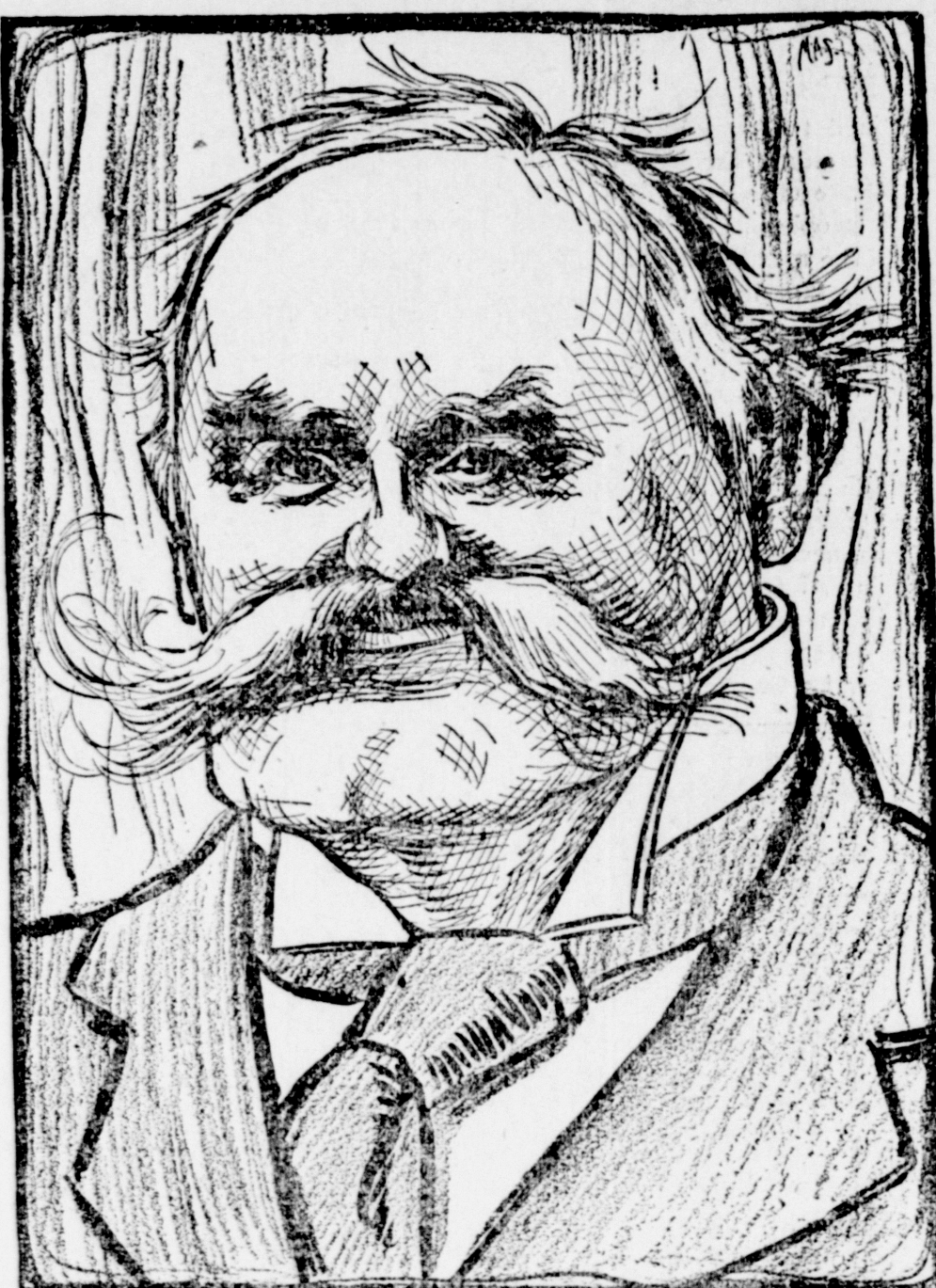
The passage between Dawley and Remington left the air slightly tense, and for a while an open rupture was imminent. The referee did not lose his temper, however, and the episode was allowed to pass. Dawley continued to grow more and more acrimonious in his remarks to the court, however, and along at the close of a subsequent clash he frankly stated that he wished the court would commit Mrs. Chadwick to jail for contempt and get the thing off his mind. Remington took decided objection to this attitude, and remarked that if Dawley persisted in it there would be trouble.

The entire examination was a series of just such wrangles and disputes. Mrs. Chadwick answered a few questions, but her answers were remarkably free from information. Finally the court and counsel on all sides agreed that the examination might just as well end abruptly, because there was no hope of securing any information from the bankrupt. Accordingly, March 13, was set for a resumption of the hearing, with the understanding that Mrs. Chadwick would testify freely on that date if the criminal cases against her had been disposed of by that time.

Mrs. Chadwick paid \$3 from her own funds for a carriage to convey her from the county jail to the bankruptcy court, a distance of one block. She did this after unsuccessfully attempting to compel the federal officials to furnish a carriage. On the return trip to the jail she walked.

You can depend upon what you read in The Tribune as the truth—no misrepresentation tolerated.

IN THE HALL OF FAME AND FUN



Senator Nelson W. Aldrich, of Rhode Island.

Men in Prison Sued by Victims of Wrecked Bank

Goshen, Ind., Feb. 25.—Justus L. Broderick, president, and William L. Collins, cashier, of the defunct Indiana National bank, at Elkhart, now prisoners at the Fort Leavenworth prison, are made defendants with the Clans Printing company, of Elkhart, in a \$100,000 suit filed here by Receiver Roosevelt of the bank.

The complaint declares that the Clans company gave the wrecked bank its notes, and then sold the \$200,000 plant without meeting its obligations. It is alleged that the sale money was divided among the stockholders.

DIRE RESULT OF CLASS FIGHT

Greencastle, Ind., Feb. 25.—J. H. Wilson, of Fortville, a member of the sophomore class of DePauw university, has suffered a severe hemorrhage as a result of injuries received in the class fight. The physicians who are attending young Wilson say that he is probably permanently injured, and that the injuries may ultimately be fatal.

Others may seek to imitate—but no other paper in this territory beside the Tribune can get the celebrated New York Herald illustrated news service. Watch for imitations, which are sincere flatteries for The Tribune—the only fearless newspaper in La Crosse.

REWARD FOR MAN WHO STOLE BILL

Jefferson City, Mo., Feb. 25.—Following the adoption of a resolution offering \$1,000 for the capture of the man or men who stole the breeders' law repeal bill, the theft of which makes the repeal invalid, two new bills have been introduced in the assembly—one providing for the repeal of the breeders' law, and the other making it a felony punishable by a jail sentence of not less than six months or a term in the penitentiary not to exceed five years, to bet or sell pools on horse races. The first was passed at once, the other made special for Monday.

Speaker Hill has received a telegram from the presidents of the four jockey clubs in St. Louis offering a reward of \$1,000 for the punishment of the person guilty of having stolen the breeders' law repeal bill.

Kansas City, Feb. 25.—J. S. Gardner, president of the Kansas City Jockey club, has wired Governor Folk offering upon behalf of the club a reward of \$500 for the arrest and conviction of the person or persons guilty of the abstraction or the theft of the house anti-pool selling bill.

CONFIDENCE FOR ACTIVE FUTURE BUSINESS

New York, Feb. 25.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trades says: Better weather has greatly improved trade in many sections of the country, spring merchandise being distributed freely by jobbers, while retail business and mercantile collections are more normal. Interior buyers are placing liberal orders in the large cities, and preparations for structural work are hurried. Manufacturing lines have made splendid progress since the opening of the year, especially the various divisions of the steel industry, and textile mills are well engaged.

Shoe shops have ample spring business, but orders for fall delivery are delayed by the recent advance in prices that was necessitated by higher cost of production—particularly as to the raw material. In almost every branch of business there is confidence in active trade with the appearance of settled weather. Winter wheat is in good condition.

Failures this week numbered 252 in the United States, against 240 last year, and 29 in Canada, compared with 22 a year ago.

DR. HARPER KNOWS HIS FATE

Chicago, Feb. 25.—President Harper, of the University of Chicago, spent a restful night at the Presbyterian hospital, and attending physicians are now certain that he will recover rapidly from the immediate effects of the operation that revealed cancer of the colon. Professor Robert E. Harper, brother of the patient, who has reached Chicago from Constantinople, Turkey, was at the bedside.

President Harper is now aware of the fact that he is suffering from cancer and may not survive many months. Upon reading Dr. Billing's first bulletin diagnosing the case as cancer Dr. Harper is said to have faced the gloomy prospects with resolution.

TOPICS AT TUSKOGEE

Tuskogee, Ala., Feb. 25.—In the workers' conference, following the Tuskogee negro conference, the general subject for discussion was the negro common school, which was considered under various heads, including school taxes, equitable division of school funds, training of teachers, community work and the school as a social center. These topics were considered by many prominent men from all parts of the country, under the leadership of Principal Booker T. Washington.

Resolutions were adopted declaring the belief in a more general support of the negro school by increased taxation, by the universal payment of the poll tax, an increase in the length of the school terms, increase in teachers' salaries, and an equitable division of school funds, besides a consolidation of existing schools into stronger institutions.

Round trip tourist tickets are on sale daily during the winter months to Denver, Colorado Springs and Pueblo at low reduced rates via the Chicago, Union Pacific & North-Western Line, good on fast through trains, with high class equipment. The best of everything. For maps, booklets and list of Colorado hotels with rates apply to ticket agents Chicago & North-Western Ry.

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WANTS TO BEGIN WAR ON CARNEGIE'S ARMOR TRUST

REPRESENTATIVE ASKS WHY MOODY IS NOT "DOING SOMETHING"

House Takes Smash at the Standard Oil Trust

Washington, Feb. 25. — Representative Vandiver, of Missouri, has introduced the following resolution in the house:

"Resolved, That the attorney general inform the house at his earliest convenience whether or not any proceedings have been instituted either civil or criminal against the armor plate trust and if not why not, and further,

"Resolved, That the attorney general also inform the house what steps have been taken by him to determine whether or not the said armor plate trust should be prosecuted for violation of the United States anti-trust law of July 2, 1890, or other United States statutes against trusts and combines in restraint of trade." The resolution was referred to the judiciary committee.

Facts Are in Moody's Hands.

A preamble to the resolution recites that on Sept. 6, 1901, the attorney general was petitioned to institute civil and criminal proceedings against the Carnegie Steel company and the Bethlehem Steel company, as combining and constituting what the petition alleged was an armor plate trust for controlling the price of armor plate, and that there was filed with the attorney general and with the president a statement of facts and evidence showing a conspiracy whereby the trade and commerce in armor plate had been monopolized and the armor plate trust enabled to sell many thousands of tons of armor plate to the United States government at prices ranging from \$45 to \$50 per ton, after a duly appointed board of expert naval constructors had reported that the actual cost of the armor did not exceed \$197 per ton.

Agreement to Control Prices.

The preamble further alleged an agreement between the Carnegie and Bethlehem companies as to prices, and that they have divided the contracts of the government between themselves, each bidding lower than the other for one-half of the armor required at any time by the government. Additional evidence of this conspiracy to prevent free and open competition in bids for armor plate, the preamble continues, has been shown in the hearing of the present secretary of the navy, when on Jan. 26, 1905, Secretary Morton stated to the house committee on naval affairs that the bids of the Bethlehem and Carnegie companies of 7,820 tons of armor plate which had been opened on Jan. 12 last were discovered to be identical.

Awarded to the Highest Bidder.

In spite of this accumulative evidence of conspiracy in restraint of trade, the preamble says, the secretary of the navy awarded contracts to these two companies at \$453 per ton, when an independent company outside of the trust had offered to furnish exactly the same armor for \$398 per ton, thus, the preamble says, increasing the cost to the government \$55 per ton in order to favor the trust, and "indicating the powerful influence which the aforesaid armor plate trust has acquired over the government and

officials of the United States."

BLOW AT THE STANDARD OIL

House Refuses to Pay Taxes on a Building Uncle Sam Has Sold.

Washington, Feb. 25.—In the house of representatives the fight of many years waged against the appropriation of \$130,000 for rental of the old New York custom house resulted in a victory, Hemenway, chairman of the committee on appropriations, being unable to muster sufficient strength to retain the provision in the bill. The opposition was led by Sulzer of New York, supported by Williams of Mississippi, the minority leader, both of whom denounced the expenditure as a public scandal, and in the interest of the Standard Oil company, which it was alleged was behind the National City bank, the purchaser of the building from the government.

Although the house was alleged to have bought the property for \$3,000,000, and to have credited the amount to the government, it developed that no title had passed to it, and that in consequence it was paying no taxes to the state of New York, the government paying the taxes. The failure of the government to give a deed was said to be due to the influence of the Standard Oil company.

Senate and House in Brief.

Washington, Feb. 25.—The time of the senate was divided between the Swayne impeachment trial and the motion of Reveridge to appoint conferees on the joint statehood bill. Morgan beat the statehood matter by beginning a speech intended as he admitted to kill the statehood bill entirely. Counsel continued the argument in the Swayne case.

The house passed some unimportant measures and then took up the sundry civil bill, which was pending at the close. During the debate Crumpacker urged the enforcement of the fourteenth and fifteenth amendments to the constitution relative to the suffrage.

NOT SO COMFORTABLE NOW.

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 25.—Comfortably seated in a Pullman car, John F. Decker thought he was speeding to Chicago and liberty. Instead a deputy sheriff arrested him at Havelock, took him to Lincoln and lodged him in jail. Decker was accused of perjury in a divorce case. He was discharged, started to leave, but was apprehended on a charge of contempt of court. He owns a large photograph supply house in Chicago and the county attorney says his troubles have just begun. Decker swore he was a resident of this state in order to get a divorce.

Orange and Orange Flowers Feature in court

Flora, Ind., Feb. 25.—Word has just reached here from Lathrop, Cal., of the marriage of Rev. Isaac Ross, pastor of the Progressive Brethren church of that place, and Mrs. Anna Wolf of that place. Mrs. Wolf is said to be worth \$100,000 and is a very beautiful woman. The marriage was a very romantic one. About five months ago, Ross was working in a store in this place. While unpacking a box of oranges he came across one that was larger than the rest and wrapped in paper of a different color.

On the paper was the address of the woman who is now his wife, and he immediately wrote her a long letter. He received a reply asking him to come to Lathrop and take charge of the church of which he is now pastor, and he at once accepted. He and his daughter arrived at Lathrop, and in a few minutes after he stepped from the train he and Mrs. Wolf were married.

Try to Kill President of San do Mingo; Fail

Washington, Feb. 25.—United States Minister Dawson, at San Domingo city, has cabled the state department that an attempt was made there yesterday to assassinate President Morales; that the attempt failed; that five of his assailants were captured and that the remainder escaped.

No further details are supplied, but the affair is supposed to have grown out of an attempt on the part of the revolutionary element in San Domingo to prevent the consummation of the financial agreement between that government and the United States.

Go to the Bijou—get the habit.

WEATHER REPORT



"A cold wave is advancing slowly from Boston."

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	LEAVE	ARRIVE
For Prairie du Chien, Dubuque, Chicago, St. Louis, intermediate pts. and connections beyond	12:15 night 12:19 noon	3:30 a.m. 8:09 a.m.
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	LEAVE	ARRIVE
Chicago, Milwaukee, Madison and West	a 7:50 a.m. a 12:45 p.m. b 10:40 p.m.	b 5:30 a.m. a 12:20 p.m. a 5:30 p.m.
Frempaleau, Galeville, Winona, Owatonna and West	a 5:30 a.m. a 12:20 p.m. b 5:30 p.m.	a 7:50 a.m. a 12:45 p.m. b 10:40 p.m.

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AS TO THAT ONALASKA STORY

Evidently The Chronicle doesn't think the people of Onalaska know very much, else Mr. Cargill's paper is up to its usual blunders, for it seems to be making friends in its usual way in Onalaska. A short time ago a story was printed in The Chronicle reflecting on the character of the Onalaska schools and that it is promptly resented is shown by articles appearing in the Onalaska Record. The people evidently resent the ridicule that The Chronicle has been poking at them, from the following portion of a long editorial comment from the Onalaska paper:

"The column headed Onalaska in the La Crosse Daily Chronicle purporting to be friendly toward Onalaska, her institutions and industries, has at the same time carried in it a trend at ridicule to which our citizens have not been blind, though accepting it with a courteous grace."

Superintendent Replies.

The superintendent of schools of Onalaska denies the accusations and insinuations against the Onalaska schools appearing in The Chronicle in a strong article over his own signature which is in part as follows:

"In the Chronicle of last Sunday morning appeared an article touching certain matters connected with the school that has provoked considerable comment. The article in question is so utterly misleading, the affair is so grossly exaggerated, and the danger of besmirching the good name of the school is so great that I feel it necessary to say something in reply, even though, in my judgment, the matter is not a fit subject for newspaper discussion. At the time the article was written no statement had been made by those who were conducting the investigation, so that the only foundation it could have had is street gossip and the vague, uncertain and often contradictory statements made by such pupils as may have been questioned."

"The assertion was made that after an investigation, fourteen copies of an indecent note made by one girl had been found in the desks. This is false. After a most painstaking and systematic search, and this was made before any of the pupils were aware that the matter was known to the authorities, only a fragment of a copy was found in the desks. It appears that the note was in the hands of some of the young people for some time but did not appear among the pupils at the schools until very shortly before its discovery. The pupil who introduced the note has been summarily dealt with, and those who may have been instrumental in passing will also be given exemplary punishment."

DON'T TAKE ANY CHANCES

Opinion of Successful Physician and Specialist

The following statements made by Dr. Turbin, the specialist whose long experience and successful practice bear witness to his knowledge of the subject.

It is surprising how rapidly the strength and vigor of men and women are declining. The habit of life, the nature of work is different than it was years ago. Undoubtedly a greater strain or pressure in life brings greater troubles, but above all is a disease which may bring its victim to the grave or the insane asylum sooner or later. It is common to both men and women, and even children are not free from it. It is the least understood and at the same time the most dangerous of all known diseases. Men will feel discouraged with life, have no ambition, shut society; have headache, backache and failing memory and still these same men do not know what it is. They consult their family physician, who is no doubt a good man in his profession to treat acute diseases, but has not the time to make a study of chronic cases. It requires a physician who has made a specialty of such cases to treat them properly. Some men wait until too late.

I refer to the disease which is brought on by youthful errors where the parents through false modesty, have neglected to warn their children in time to save them from misfortune. Physicians seem baffled when brought face to face with troubles caused by this vice and do not hesitate to admit that their cases ought to be treated by a specialist.

You may think I am radical in making such statements, but I know whereof I affirm, and I know that there are more men who suffer from it today than from any other known trouble. Do you know that many cases of so-called heart and lung trouble are merely the results of the vice? Take my word for it, there are thousands of men who do not know it, but who are suffering from it, and I only wish that they may be warned in time.

Dr. Turbin will be in La Crosse, Monday, Feb. 27th, at the Hotel La Crosse.

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Considerable interest is being manifested in the appearance here on February 28th of the concert quintette of Hugo Bach, the celebrated cellist. Mr. Bach was heard here with pleasure on the occasion of Prof. Lang-



PROF. HUGO BACH.

Celebrated cellist whose concert quintette will be heard at Germania, Feb. 28th.

stadt's recital, when he was accompanied by the talented pianist, Herman Ruhoff, former La Crosse boy, who is well on his way to fame in the world of music. Mr. Ruhoff is a member of the quintette and will add to the interest taken in this classical event.

TODAY'S MARKETS

(Edwards-Wood Co.)
Livestock Receipts.

Chicago, Feb. 25.—Hog receipts, 16,000; left over 7,300. Market strong to 5c higher. Heavy, 4.70 to 4.97; rough, 4.70 to 4.80; mixed, 4.60 to 4.95; light, 4.55 to 4.82.

Cattle receipts—200; market unchanged.

Sheep receipts—2,000; market unchanged.

Omaha, Feb. 25.—Hogs, 5,800; cattle, 200; sheep, none.

Kansas City, Feb. 25.—Hogs, 3,600; cattle, 300; sheep, 500.

Chicago Wheat

Feb. 25.

Open. High. Low. Close.

May ... 1.18 1/4 1.18 3/4 1.18 1/8 1.18 1/2

July ... 1.01 1/2 1.02 1.01 3/4 1.01 1/2

Sept.93 1/2 .93 1/2 .92 1/2 .92 1/2

Corn—

May48 .48 1/2 .47 1/2 .47 1/2

July48 1/2 .48 1/2 .48 .48

Sept.48 1/2 .48 1/2 .48 1/2 .48 1/2

Oats—

May31 1/4 .31 1/4 .31 .31

July31 1/4 .31 1/4 .30 3/4 .31

Sept.29 1/2 .29 1/2 .29 1/4 .29 1/4

Pork—

May ... 12.55 12.60 12.45 12.52

July ... 12.67 12.67 12.55 12.62

Lard—

May ... 6.90 6.92 6.85 6.92

July ... 7.02 7.05 7.00 7.05

Ribs—

May ... 6.70 6.72 6.67 6.70

July ... 6.82 6.85 6.80 6.82

Minneapolis Wheat.

May ... 1.15 1/2 1.15 1/2 1.15 1/2 1.15 1/2

July ... 1.13 1/4 1.14 1/4 1.13 1/4 1.13 1/4

Sept.94 1/2 .94 1/2 .94 1/2 .94 1/2

Duluth Flax

May ... 1.33 1/2 1.36 1/2 1.32 1/2 1.36

Will Repair County Fair Race Track

Agitation has been started in West Salem and Bangor among the members of the La Crosse County Fair association to repair the track at West Salem and put it in good condition for spring horse training. The residents of Bangor have formed the plan of organizing a "bee" and doing the work for nothing as the fair association is badly in debt and needs the money.

Those who propose repairing the

track for spring training say that nearly \$100 a month will be expended in West Salem by the horsemen for repairs and other incidentals while training their horses.

Miss McLindon Will Sing

The following excellent program has been prepared by the Kreutz La Crosse orchestra for the concert at Germania tomorrow:

March—"The Gridiron" Pryor
Overture—"Norma" Belline
Waltz—"Dolores" Waldteufel
Selection—"The Birdseller" Zeller
Selection—"When Johnny Comes Home" Edwards
Soprano Solo—"The Message of the Dove" Loraine
Miss Grace McLindon.

(a) "Fairy Tales" Eilenberg
(b) "Franco American" Loraine
Finale—"Wyoming" Alexander

250 GERMS IN A GLASS OF WATER

After an examination of the river water Prof. Floyd Davis said there are 250 intestinal germs in the average glassful. Complete results had not been arrived at. The water at the public schools will also be examined.

Benefit is Well Attended

The second performance of the St. Mary's church benefit, given at Germania hall last evening was largely attended and was a magnificent production. The choruses and solos were particularly attractive last evening and the entire entertainment was carried out in an exceptionally pleasing manner.

Sunday Matinees at the Bijou

Sunday afternoon there will be two matinees at the Bijou vaudeville theatre, at 2:30 and 4 o'clock. There will also be two evening performances at 7:30 and 9 o'clock. On Sunday the Bijou forms an interesting place to spend a pleasant hour and a half that would otherwise perhaps be dull.

MERCHANT

(Continued from page 1.)

to stop a growing evil and menace to La Crosse than any other organ in the city. For instance, the lighting bill would have been defeated were it not for the vigorous attack it made on the "trust" and the "greedy few" who want what you and I have and squeeze the taxpayers and merchants for every cent they can to fill their own coffers. This particular lighting bill would not have passed without the assistance rendered through The Tribune, which voiced the sentiment of the people, and which is ever ready to take up an issue for the good of La Crosse and the people.

Incidentally I desire to mention the fact (although I presume that the people are conversant with this condition, but pay not much attention to it) that this avicious clique of a few who pose as champions of the people and their rights, are traitors to the good cause and work on lines that an honorable citizen would despise. These "precious few" work under (or endeavor to) the white cover, but some day the black surface will prevail, and show up in true colors the character of these impostors. This clique embraces merchants, newspaper firms, the gas and lighting company, etc., and they all co-operate as everyone is a stockholder of this business and that newspaper, and their efforts are directed to promoting each institution as it means money to them, and they care not what means they employ to obtain this end.

It is a strong and well organized network of a combination of businesses that work together to scorp in all they can get honestly—and it is not successful on an honest basis, they do not hesitate to do the opposite. The Tribune succeeded in puncturing this "network" when it voiced the lighting bill. It will do more and shall succeed in utterly exterminating this "trust" organization eventually. But it needs the assistance of the people and the support of the merchants. Fair play should be given everybody. The clique have had more than their share. Now let's have a change.

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SOCIETY

(Continued from page 3.)

church parlors, Thursday evening. Mr. A. C. Millington and Mrs. D. G. Whyte did the honors of the evening as George and Martha Washington, robed in handsome colonial costumes. The waiters and many others were also in costume and the ambassador from the court of Persia in rare Oriental costume, received with George and Martha Washington. A successful financial and social success was enjoyed. The parlors were elaborately decorated in the national colors with Washington's face in prominent position.

DEDICATION OF HALL.

The dedication of the new quarters of the Frohnsing singing society took place Monday night, the exercises consisting of a vocal and instrumental concert followed by dancing. Kreutz's orchestra participated in the event.

Other events of the week for which Kreutz's orchestra furnished the music were: Tuesday, Germania society ball; Wednesday, W. B. U. hop; Thursday, Red Men first annual ball; and the Modern society hop; Friday, K. of P. club dancing, the E. F. U. masquerade at Woodmen hall and the Knights Templar lance at Masonic temple.

TEAS.

Friday afternoon Mrs. E. O. Edwards entertained at a large five o'clock tea.

Mrs. G. C. Hixon and Miss Crosby entertained this afternoon at a handsome five o'clock tea. The house was decorated with flowers and growing plants which were used in great profusion. The were sixty-five invited guests.

Mrs. James Taylor entertained Friday four tables at bridge. Mrs. J. M. Hixon took the prize.

ENTERTAINMENT.

Mrs. Ed. Cronon and her able staff of workers at Grace chapel on Sixteenth street, gave an interesting Washington birthday entertainment on Wednesday evening. A large audience filled the house and were delighted with the successful program.

BIRTHDAY.

Miss Ruth Seissing entertained a dozen of her girl friends Wednesday from 3 to 6 o'clock in honor of her twelfth birthday. Games and guessing contests entertained the young folks till the supper hour. Those present were the Misses Harriet Ray, Anna and Mary Pennell, Dolly Tisdale, Dorothy Sinclair, Bernice Barber, Hazel Veitz, Frankie Walker, Ruth Vance, Esther Kratchwill, Mary Evans, Helen Bailey and Lorna Strtham.

ST. MARY'S BENEFIT.

Vaudeville entertainment which was given a short time ago at the opera house for the benefit of St. Mary's church was repeated last evening at Germania. In spite of the disagreeable weather the hall was filled with an enthusiastic audience, proving that people did appreciate a good thing. The Floradora Sextette conducted by Mrs. Punch Robertson was one of the hits of the evening.

PERSONALS.

Wednesday afternoon Mrs. C. N. Dunham entertained a few of her neighbors at an informal coffee.

Mrs. Bryan of New York is the guest of Mrs. George Burton.

Mrs. John Bayer has issued invitations for a royal euche party Tuesday evening and a five o'clock tea Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Cargill, Mr. and Mrs. John McMillan and children,

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Hanchett and Austin Cargill left the first of the week for Pasadena, California.

Gysbert Van Steenwyk returned this morning from Chicago.

Mrs. Mary Plummer who was a guest of friends in the city returned this morning to her home at Portage.

Mrs. W. E. Sawyer has gone to Sioux City to visit her brother.

Mrs. L. C. Colman left the first of the week for California. Mr. Colman will join her later.

Miss Anna Beisel entertained a card club Wednesday evening. Miss Kitty Gallagher and Miss Elizabeth Livingston took the prizes.

Mrs. J. S. Medary entertained the Friday Afternoon Whist club.

CHURCHES

The First Methodist Episcopal church, corner King and South Eighth streets. Rev. W. H. Vance, pastor. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Epworth league devotional meeting at 6:30 p. m. The pastor will occupy the pulpit morning and evening.

St. Paul's Universalist church, Eighth and Cass. Rev. J. S. Lowe, pastor. The United Commercial Travelers' association will attend the service at 10:30 a. m. All traveling men are invited. The choir, assisted by Mrs. Rose Manning-Morphy and Mr. Theodore Schulze, will render the following musical program: Anthem, Festival Te Deum in D, D. Buck; duet, Mrs. Lowe and Mrs. Morphy; anthem, Hark, Hark, My Soul, Shelly; solo, O, Rest In The Lord, "Elijah," Mrs. Morphy. Sunday school at noon. Y. P. C. E. meeting at 6:30 p. m. Preaching at 7:30 p. m.

The men's song and gospel service at the Young Men's Christian Association Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock will be addressed by Mr. F. H. Leslie. All young men are most cordially invited to attend.

Christ Episcopal church, Main and Ninth street. Holy communion, 8:00 a. m.; morning service and sermon, 10:30 a. m.; Sunday school, 3 p. m.; evening service and sermon, 7:30 p. m.

First Presbyterian church, King and Sixth streets, Rev. J. K. Fowler, pastor. Morning sermon by Rev. W. J. Turner, by exchange. Sunday school at 12 m. Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m. The choir conducted by Frederick Redhead and assisted by Mrs. Rose Manning Morphy, soloist, and Mr. Carl Rudolf with violin, give an evening praise service as follows: Prelude, violin and organ, "The Dream," opening anthem, "Glorious is Thy Name," Mozart; quartette and solo by Mrs. Morphy, "I'm a Pilgrim," Marston; anthem, "The Lord is Risen," Schnecker; offertory solo, with violin obligato, "O, Dry Those Tears," Del Riego, Mrs. Rose Manning-Morphy. Short address, Rev. J. K. Fowler. Organ postlude, "Festal Marche," Clarke.

First Congregational church, Main and Seventh streets. Henry Faville, pastor. Worship, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning topic, "Who Is On the Wrong Side?" Evening topic, "The World's Greatest Benefactor." Sunday school at noon. Young people's meeting 6:30 p. m.

First Church of Christ Scientists, King street, between Fifth and Sixth. Services at 10:30 a. m. Subject: "Man." Reading room 425 Main street, suite 6.

West Avenue Methodist church, between Mississippi and Jackson streets. Henry Goodsell, pastor. Morning service at 10:30. Subject, "Why Is Man Skeptical About Soul Hunger?" Evening service at 7:30. Subject: "Second Sermon to Young Men." Sunday school at 12 noon. Epworth league at 6:30 p. m. Subject, "Medical Missions." Leader, Arthur Horton.

FIRE DRIVES COLORED PEOPLE FROM LODGING

Fire last evening in the dwelling at 213 Washington alley, the building once known as the "Little Cameron," drove the colored occupants from the building after a hasty search for their wearing apparel. None were injured and few lost anything worth while. The building was partly destroyed.

DERR JOINS LA CROSSE CO. LIVERY ASSOCIATION

E. H. Derr has joined the La Crosse County Liverymen's Protective association. Liverymen from about the county have signified their intentions of becoming members, and indications point to the organization becoming general throughout the county.

ELECT OFFICERS.

La Crosse Lodge No. 2 A. O. U. W. elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

Master Workman—Albert Hardy.
Foreman—Herman Bellow.
Overseer—C. J. Nordengren.
Guide—Wm. Irwin.
Recorder—Geo. W. Scott.
Receiver—N. Bradfield.
Financier—Ed. Cronon.
Inner Watchman—L. D. Shoemaker.
Outer Watchman—D. W. Tucker.

Mrs. Angus Cameron of this city has been appointed on a board of ten directors of the society of Children of the American Revolution, whose duty it will be to establish new posts throughout Wisconsin.

LIVERYMEN'S PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION OF LA CROSSE COUNTY.

Prices To Take Effect March 1st, 1905.

SINGLE RIGS.

WEEK DAYS	SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS.
Per day.....\$2.50	Per day, 6-8.....\$3.50
Forenoon, 7-12.....1.50	Forenoon, 7-11:30.....2.00
Afternoon, 1-6.....1.50	Afternoon, 1-6.....2.50
Evening, 7-11.....1.50	Evening, 7-11.....2.00
For soliciting in city 1 day.....1.50	
" " " all day 2.00	
25c per hour for overtime forenoon and afternoons.	50c per hour for overtime.
50c per hour for overtime even'g	

TWO-SEATED SURREY, ONE HORSE.

WEEK DAYS	SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS.
Per day.....\$3.00	Per day.....\$4.00
Forenoon, 7-12.....1.50	Forenoon, 7-11:30.....2.00
Afternoon, 1-6 or 4-8.....2.00	Afternoon, 1-6.....3.00
Evening, 7-11.....2.00	Evening, 7-11.....3.00
25c per hour for overtime forenoon and afternoons	50c per hour for overtime.
50c per hour for overtime even'g	

DOUBLE RIGS.

WEEK DAYS	SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS
Per day.....\$4.00	Per day.....\$5.00
Forenoon, 7-12.....2.50	Forenoon, 7-11:30.....3.00
Afternoon, 1-6.....3.00	Afternoon, 1-6.....4.00
Evening, 7-11.....2.50	Evening, 7-11.....3.00
50c per hour for overtime.	50c per hour for overtime.

THREE-SEATED RIGS.

WEEK DAYS	SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS.
Per day.....\$4.00	Per day.....\$7.00
Forenoon, 7-12.....2.50	Forenoon, 7-11:30.....3.00
Afternoon, 1-6.....3.00	Afternoon, 1-6.....5.00
Evening, 7-11.....3.00	Evening, 7-11.....3.00
Wagonette.....6.00	Wagonette.....8.00
50c per hour for overtime.	50c per hour for overtime.

POLE TEAMS.

WEEK DAYS	SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS.
Per day, with driver.....\$4.00	Per day.....\$5.00
" " " 2 or more days.....3.50	Forenoon, with driver.....2.50
Per day.....3.00	Afternoon, with driver.....3.50
Forenoon \$2.00, with driver 2.50	Evening, with driver.....4.00
Afternoon 2.50, " 3.00	Evening, with driver.....4.00
Evening 2.50, " 3.00	

FUNERAL RATES.

CITY	Onalaska and La Crescent.
Black hearse.....\$3.00	Black hearse.....\$4.00
White hearse.....3.00	White hearse.....4.00
Carriages, each.....2.00	Carriages, each.....3.00
Wagonettes, each.....2.00	Wagonettes, each.....3.00
Sundays excepted.	Sundays excepted.
Boarders \$15.00 per month for horse and rig, \$2.00 extra for each additional rig.	

CONCERT

Given By

Hugo Bach's Solo Quintette,
Germania Hall,

Tuesday Evening, Feb. 28, 1905.

PROGRAM.

- Overture—Maritana Wallace Hugo Bach's Solo Quintette.
- Baritone Solo—Nita Gitana De Kover Alfred Hiles Bergen.
- Cello Solo—Fantasie et Variations De Swer Hugo Bach.
- Piano Solo—Scherzo II, op. 31 Chopin Herman Ruhoff.
- INTERMISSION
- Second Hungarian Rhapsody Liszt Hugo Bach's Solo Quintette.
- Flute Solo—Caprice de Concert..... A. Terschak Carl Woemper.
- Baritone Solo—Toreador Song (Carmen) Bizet Alfred Hiles Bergen.
- Overture—Mignon Thomas Hugo Bach's Solo Quintette.

The Adam Schaaf Cabinet Grand Piano Furnished by Mr. A. Ruhoff.
Tickets on sale at Cargen & Young's Drug Store;